Department of Defense Military Munitions Response Program (MMRP) Update

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MMRP: Background

- **Established in September 2001 under the Defense Environmental Restoration Program (DERP)**
- **Created to identify and respond to environmental and explosive safety hazards posed by unexploded ordnance, discarded military munitions, and munitions constituents**

MMRP: Framework

- **MMRP key elements are patterned on the Installation Restoration Program (IRP) of the DERP:**
  - Separate budget stream
  - Comprehensive inventory of sites
  - Prioritization protocol developed
  - Goals and metrics

MMRP: Inventory

- **Initial MMRP site inventory completed in FY02 and will be updated annually**
- **As of September 30, 2003, DoD had identified 2,800 sites**
  - 850 on active installations
  - 197 on closed or realigned (i.e., BRAC) installations
  - 1,753 on Formerly Used Defense Sites (FUDS) properties
- **Working with States and Tribes to identify additional sites and refine inventory**

MMRP: Site Prioritization Protocol

- **Assigns relative priority**
- **Developed in consultation with States and Tribes**
- **Proposal published in *Federal Register***
- **Addressing public comments**

MMRP: Goals

- **Near-term goals:**
  - Active Installations and FUDS
    - Preliminary Assessments by FY07
    - Site Inspections by the end of FY09
  - BRAC sites complete by FY09
- **Long-term goals under development**

MMRP: Munitions Response Committee (MRC)

- **Purpose is to ensure munitions responses are protective of human health and the environment while allowing DoD to fulfill its mission**
- **Includes representatives from DoD, EPA, State regulators, Federal Land Managers, and Tribes**
- **Emphasis on collaborative decision-making based on mutual agreement**

MMRP: Next Steps

- **Continue to refine the inventory of MMRP sites**
- **Ensure adequate funding and complete near-term cleanup goals**
- **Further develop and implement program goals and performance metrics**
- **Continue collaborative process with EPA, States, Federal Land Managers, and Tribes through MRC**

MMRP: Summary

- **Program continues to develop through inventory and protocol**
- **DERP funding will be available, separate from IRP funding needs**
- **Collaborative decision-making process with EPA, States, Federal Land Managers, and Tribes the foundation of MMRP progress**

Additional information is available at:

https://www.denix.osd.mil//MMRP